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1. During the latter part of 1949 AW Boon Haw, well-known Hong Kong and Singapore financier and philanthropist, attempted to secure a connection with the Chinese Communist Government similar to that held by TAN Kah Kee (CH'EN Chia-keng). To this end, AW got in touch with YEH Tao-ying, younger brother of YEH Chien-ying, entertained him lavishly, and eventually persuaded him to visit Canton and plead AW's case with YEH Chien-ying. When YEH Tao-ying saw his elder brother in this connection, the latter told him that the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) does not believe that AW Boon Haw is a true Chinese patriot, as alleged by YEH Tao-ying. The younger YEH was also told to return to Hong Kong and not to concern himself further with political matters beyond his understanding and competence.
2. On his return to Hong Kong, YEH Tao-ying told AW that he had been unable to do anything for him with YEH Chien-ying. Enraged by this, AW subsequently instructed the editors of the newspapers he controls to take, in future, an editorial line less favorable to the CCP.

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